# **Electronic Data Interchange Advisory**

# June 9, 2006

## Amendments to Rules 29 and 30 adopted

Amendments to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court's Rule 29, First Report of Alleged Occupational Injury or Illness, and Rule 30, Subsequent Report, were adopted at a public hearing on June 6, 2006. Links to view the current versions of both rules are available on our website's EDI page (<a href="http://www.wcc.ne.gov/edi.htm">http://www.wcc.ne.gov/edi.htm</a>).

#### New mandatory data element for FROIs; new edits for unacquired SROI SAs and FNs

The Employer FEIN will become a mandatory data element for FROI filings. Also, the court has identified a problem where SROI paid-to-date codes 430 and 440 are being used interchangeably for indemnity and medical benefits that are not acquired.

Whenever possible, advance notice of at least 90 days will be given for trading partners to implement EDI data element changes. Effective **September 9, 2006**, the edits described above will be in place to make the Employer FEIN a mandatory data element for FROI filings and to reject unacquired SROI SAs and FNs with paid-to-date codes of 430 and 440.

## Amendments to FROI Implementation Guide

Select the following link to download the current **FROI Implementation Guide PDF** (0.25 KB).

**Page 13, FROI Filing Requirements.** Updated to reflect the recent amendments to Rule 29, First Report of Alleged Occupational Injury or Illness, regarding the 10-day filing period for FROIs.

Pages 44 and 45, Event Table and Addendum to Event Table. These tables have also been updated regarding the 10-day filing period.

Page 48, Element Requirements Table. Employer FEIN is a mandatory field.

Page 53, Edit Matrix Table. Employer FEIN is a mandatory field.

**Page 56, Match Data Table.** The following note has been added: "A transaction may include only one changed match value at a time to allow the remaining match values to accomplish a match to a claim in the court's database."

#### **Amendments to SROI Implementation Guide**

Select the following link to download the current **SROI Implementation Guide PDF** (0.25 KB).

**Page 5, SROI Filing Requirements.** Updated to reflect amendments to Rule 30, Subsequent Report, which were adopted at a public hearing on June 6, 2006.

**Page 20, Match Data Table.** The following note has been added: "A transaction may include only one changed match value at a time to allow the remaining match values to accomplish a match to a claim in the court's database."

Page 36, Frequently Asked Questions. The following FAQ has been added:

**Q:** Can I make changes to a FROI match data elements (Name, DOI, SSN, etc) while reporting a Cancellation (01), Denial (04) or Acquired Unallocated (AU) transaction?

**A:** Changes to match data elements should be accomplished first with a 02 Change transaction. That can be followed with another transaction to a perform a Cancel, Denial or Acquired Unallocated. This follows the standard that each Maintenance Type Code (MTC) defines one and only one event for which a transaction has a specific purpose. This also applies to SROI transactions as well. An 02 Change should be sent and accepted before submitting a Semi-Annual (SA) report.

# **Amendments to POC Implementation Guide**

Select the following link to download the current **POC Implementation Guide PDF** (0.25 KB).

Page 3, EDI Overview. The following text has been added to the EDI Overview: "Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court (NWCC) has implemented and requires the IAIABC Proof of Coverage (POC) R2.1 standard. The POC R2.1 Implementation Guide contains flat file record layouts and business scenarios that NWCC supports. The most current version of the guide can be found at the following link: <a href="http://www.iaiabc.org/edi/implementation\_docs/POC%20R2-1%20(04-01-06)%20linked.pdf">http://www.iaiabc.org/edi/implementation\_docs/POC%20R2-1%20(04-01-06)%20linked.pdf</a>."

**Pages 7-17, Transaction Overview.** The Jurisdiction Accepted Triplicates column of this table has been repopulated with Y's for every transaction because the court accepts all triplicate codes.

## New Production EDI POC Implementation Guide Available

Select the following link to download the new POC Implementation Guide PDF (0.25 KB).

## Amendments to FROI Implementation Guide

**Page 5, Contact Information.** We now list three EDI Technical Contacts. If you have questions or comments of a technical nature, please contact them in the order shown:

- 1. First Technical Contact: James Lillis, 402-471-6457 (phone), james.lillis@wcc.ne.gov (email)
- 2. Second Technical Contact: Beth Garbers, 402-471-8992 (phone), beth.garbers@wcc.ne.gov (email)
- 3. Third Technical Contact: Bruce Mayfield, 402-471-3527 (phone), bruce.mayfield@wcc.ne.gov (email)

**Page 17, Employment Status Code.** This section now reads as follows: "A two-digit code (left justified, blank fill) used to indicate the employee's primary work code status at the time of the injury with the covered employer." The values used are now in Flat/DCI format as shown:

- 'C' = Piece Worker
- '8' = Seasonal Worker
- '1' = Full Time
- '2' = Part Time
- '3' = Not Employed
- '4' = On Strike
- '9' = Volunteer
- 'A' = Apprenticeship Full Time
- 'B' = Apprentice Part Time
- '6' = Retired
- '5' = Disabled
- '7' = Other

#### Amendments to SROI Implementation Guide

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**Page 21, Transaction Sequencing.** The footnote at the end of this table reflects the edits that became effective on November 1, 2005 (announced in the EDI Advisory of September 1, 2005). The footnote now includes a note regarding Semi-Annual (SA) subsequent reports as shown in #5 below:

- 1. An Initial Payment (IP) or Semi-Annual (SA) will no longer be accepted following an Acquired/Unallocated (AU).
- 2. An Acquired Payment (AP) will no longer be accepted after an Original (00).
- 3. Indemnity Benefits will no longer be accepted on a First Non-Indemnity Payment (PY), as this interferes with transaction sequencing and it is not an R1 standard.
- 4. A Final (FN) will not be accepted without a prior IP, AP or PY being received and accepted.
- 5. A Semi-Annual (SA) will not be accepted without a prior IP, AP or PY being received and accepted.

Page 36, Frequently Asked Questions. The following FAQ has been added:

**Q:** Do we have to send an IP, PY, or SA if no benefit payments were made?

A: No. An exception is an 04 SROI Denial, which can be reported with or without benefit payments made.